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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1 (Once amended). A sling seat, comprising:

a plurality of flexible layers of material, with each layer having a top side, a bottom side, a front edge, a rear edge, and a pair of generally parallel side edges, with each side edges of said layers fastened together to form a pair of generally parallel side seams;

and means for separately supporting each side seam to form a sling seat,

characterized in that each of said flexible layers of material has a non-uniform stiffness, and at least one flexible pad is located between at least two of said layers of material.

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are currently pending in their application. Claim 1 has been amended to correct a typographical error and to more particularly point out the invention.